MR. G. RAMAN MENON (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : With regard to the answer to part (3) of the question, *viz.*, " the question has been dropped on learning from the local officers that the people to be benefited by the road were not keen about the matter ", will the Government be pleased to state who are the local officers concerned?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : The officers of the Land Revenue and the Public Works Departments.

License Fee on Boats.

69. **MR. G. RAMAN MENON** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the action taken on the representation made on behalf of the Travancore Boatmen's Association for reducing the license fee for country canoes and for making the fee payable in two instalments, instead of in one lump sum as at present?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : The representation was referred to the Chief Engineer who reports that it is not feasible to grant the prayers and the Government agree with him.

Deepening of Waterways between Quilon and Trivandrum.

70. **MR. G. RAMAN MENON** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the action taken on the representation made on behalf of the Travancore Boatmen's Association for deepening parts of the waterway from Quilon to Trivandrum, the shallowness of which during the major part of the year causes great hardship and loss of time and money to boatmen and merchants?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : The representation was referred to the Chief Engineer who reports that instructions have been issued to keep the canal route in good navigable condition.

Qualifications for Officers testing Motor Buses.

71. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the names of the persons appointed to test the structural fitness of motor buses and to issue certificates, basing which permits are issued to ply them for hire ;

(*b*) the qualifications of each ;

(*c*) whether they had, at the time of their appointment, any special training in Motor Engineering, and, if so, where and for what period ;

(*d*) whether they had any practical experience in Motor Engineering at the time they were appointed ;

(*e*) whether they had worked in any motor workshop, and, if so, where and for what period ; and

(*f*) (i) the names of the persons who applied for being appointed to test the structural fitness of motor buses, since the abolition of the post of Motor Bus Inspector ;

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(ii) the qualifications of each;

(iii) the period of practical experience in Motor Engineering each had at the time of applying; and

(iv) whether at the time of applying, they held any substantive appointment in the State service, and, if so, where and as what?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) to (*f*) A list* of persons now doing duty as examiners of motor buses with their qualifications is laid on the table. It will be seen that there are now 14 examiners, of whom 11 are officials and 3 are non-officials. The official examiners were selected on the recommendation of the Chief Engineer and the non-officials on the recommendation of Messrs. Harrisons and Crosfield, Quilon, Darragh Smail and Company, Alleppey, and the Motor Transport Aerial Ropeway Company, Kottayam. A proposal is under consideration to replace these examiners by duly qualified Traffic Inspectors.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Sir, parts (*c*), (*d*), (*e*) and (*f*) of my question are not answered.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Because the whole arrangement is going to be changed, all the information that is available is placed before the House.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): But there is no answer to the parts mentioned above. I wanted information on points raised in (*c*), (*d*), (*e*) and (*f*) and it is not given.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The parts are not specifically answered; but the whole information available is placed before the House.

Maintenance of the Road from the 5th mile of the K. K. Road to Tenganal.

72. **MR. T. J. MATTHEW** (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any provision was made in the budget for 1101 for the maintenance of the road from the 5th mile of the K. K. Road to Tenganal;

(*b*) if so, whether any and what amount has been spent for the purpose;

(*c*) whether any provision has been made in the budget for 1102 for the maintenance of the road;

(*d*) whether any responsible officer of the Public Works Department has seen this road in 1101 or 1102; and

(*e*) whether the Government are aware that the condition of this road, particularly of the portion beyond the 3rd mile, Eramallur, is miserable?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Rs. 632.

* *Vide* Appendix IV—page 228.

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Appendix IV.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 71.**

List of Examiners of Motor Buses.

Serial No.	Name.	Qualifications.
1	H. E. Parratt, Executive Engineer, Workshops and Stores Division, Trivandrum ...	A. M. I. M. E.
2	V. Arunachalam Aiyar, Executive Engineer, Kottayam ...	B. A., B. E., M. E.
3	M. P. Mani, Executive Engineer, Trivandrum ...	B. E., M. E.
4	S. S. Krishna Aiyangar, Executive Engineer, Alwaye ...	B. A., B. E., M. E.
5	V. Harihara Aiyar, Personal Assistant to the Chief Engineer ...	B. A., B. E., M. E.
6	M. S. Duraswami Aiyangar, Assistant Engineer, Munnar...	B. A., B. E., M. E.
7	M. N. Parameśvara Kurup, Assistant Engineer, Attingal...	L. M. E., A. M. I., M. E.
8	S. Sesha Aiyar, Assistant Engineer, Muvattupuzha ...	B. A., B. E., M. E.
9	K. Raja Raja Varma, Assistant Engineer, Nagercoil ...	B. E., M. E.
10	S. Ramachandran, Acting Industrial Engineer and Chief Boiler Inspector ...	B. E., M. E.
11	G. Krishna Pillai, Sub-Engineer, Workshops and Stores Division ...	...
12	S. Peckover, Engineer, Motor Transport and Aerial Ropeway Co., Kottayam ...	...
13	J. Franklyn, Engineer, Harrisons and Crossfield Co., Quilon.	...
14	The Engineer of Darragh Smail and Co., Alleppey ...	...

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